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REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on March 11, 2002, in which the Examiner requires an election of a single disclosed species for prosecution. Applicant elects, with traverse, Group IV drawn to Figure 9. Claims 1-8 and 11-57 are all encompassed by the elected species.

The Examiner has further stated that claim 11 is the only generic claim. Applicant believes, however, that claims 1-8, 11-32 and 36-57 are all generic and read on each of the species referred to by the Examiner.

In addition, formal drawings are enclosed. Applicant requests that these be submitted with the application.